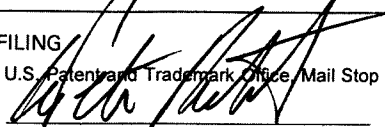


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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLAINT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Dear Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2008 (Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. §1.121)) to correct the incorrect status of Claim 23.